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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR IZ  
SUBJECT: JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF PALESTINIAN REJECTION  
FRONT AND ARAB BAATH SOCIALIST PARTY

1. ON MARCH 5, IRAQI NEWS AGENCY PUBLISHED A JOINT COMMUNIQUE  
ISSUED BY THE ARAB BAATH SOCIALIST PARTY AND THE PALESTINIAN  
REJECTION FRONT. JOINT COMMUNIQUE FOLLOWED A SIX DAY  
VISIT TO IRAQ BY A PALESTINIAN DELEGATION HEADED BY DR.  
SAMIR GHOSHIA, WHO WAS REFERRED TO AS THE SECRETARY GENERAL  
OF THE FRONT'S CENTRAL LEADERSHIP.

2. COMMUNIQUE CONDEMNED ATTEMPTS "TO IMPLICATE PALESTINIANS  
IN THE CONSPIRACY OF POLITICAL SETTLEMENT" AND WARNED AGAINST  
"THE SLIPPING OF ANY PALESTINIAN PARTY INTO PARTICIPATION  
IN SUCH A SETTLEMENT OR TAKING STEPS LEADING TO EXPLICIT OR  
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IMPLICIT RECOGNITION OF THE ZIONIST ENTITY OR NEGOTIATIONS  
WITH IT."

3. COMMUNIQUE ALSO CALLED FOR "A SERIOUS STRUGGLE IN  
QUEST OF ESTABLISHING THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL FRONT INSIDE  
SYRIA WITH THE AIM OF FOILING THE SYRIAN REGIME'S CONSPIRATORIAL  
GOALS AND WIPING OUT THE REGIMES NATIONAL AND PAN-ARAB

DEVIATIONISM."

4. COMMENT: RESULTS TO DATE OF NATIONAL COMMAND EFFORTS TO CREATE REJECTION FRONT AMONG PALESTINIAN EXTREMISTS ARE UNIMPRESSIVE. NAMES OF PALESTINIANS SO FAR ROUNDED UP ARE EMBARRASSINGLY OBSCURE. WHILE RESULTS IN TERMS OF NUMBERS AND PROMINENCE OF PALESTINIAN ADHERENTS ARE MEAGER, THERE IS DANGER THAT GROUPS SUCH AS THIS WILL ATTRACT VIOLENCE PRONE FANATICS WHO ARE WILLING TO ENGAGE IN TERRORISM IN HOPE OF DISRUPTING TRENDS AMONG MORE MODERATE PALESTINIANS TOWARDS ACCOMMODATION WITH ISRAEL. FACT THAT GOI AND REGIONAL COMMAND HAD NO PUBLICIZED CONTACTS WITH THIS GROUP DURING THEIR VISIT OFFERS SOME HOPE THAT GOI MAY NOW BE MORE RESTRAINED IN PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO TERRORIST OPERATIONS OF PALESTINIAN EXTREMISTS.  
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